

# Old Lyme

## Connecticut

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*Belongs to*  
New London County  
New London Labor Market Area  
Southeast Economic Dev. Region  
Connecticut River Estuary Planning Area

Incorporated in 1855

### Demographics

<i>Population (1998)</i>				<i>Race/Ethnicity (1998)</i>			
	<i>Town</i>	<i>County</i>	<i>State</i>		<i>Town</i>	<i>County</i>	<i>State</i>
1980	6,159	238,410	3,107,580	White	6,421	221,517	2,648,212
1990	6,535	254,957	3,287,116	Black	39	12,225	274,213
1998	6,629	251,177	3,271,239	Asian Pacific	99	4,718	73,304
2003	6,719	252,769	3,272,149	Native American	17	1,321	5,952
'98-'03 Growth	1.36%	0.63%	0.03%	Other	11	438	5,336
				Hispanic (any race)	42	10,958	264,222
Land Area (sq. miles)	23.10	666.08	4,845	<i>Poverty Rate (1990)</i>	1.81%	6.37%	6.61%
Pop./ Sq. Mile (1998)	286.97	377.10	653	<i>Educational Attainment (1990)</i>			
Per Capita Inc. (1998)	\$35,151	\$23,627	\$27,078	Persons Age 25 or Older	<i>Town</i>	<i>%</i>	<i>State</i>
Households (1998)	2,617	93,856	1,229,087	High School Graduate	1,109	23.8%	648,366
Median Age (1997)	42.1	35.4	37.2	Some College	1,095	23.5%	495,696
				Bachelors or More	2,077	44.6%	597,693
<i>Age Distribution (1998)</i>							
	<i>0-4</i>	<i>5-17</i>	<i>18-24</i>	<i>25-49</i>	<i>50-64</i>	<i>65+</i>	<i>Total</i>
Male	181 6%	541 17%	247 8%	1,114 34%	657 20%	509 16%	3,249
Female	183 5%	500 15%	229 7%	1,155 34%	664 20%	649 19%	3,380
County Total	17,896 7%	43,485 17%	24,337 10%	97,191 39%	35,483 14%	32,785 13%	251,177
State Total	216,119 7%	550,400 17%	280,101 9%	1,257,928 38%	499,093 15%	467,598 14%	3,271,239

### Economics

<i>Business Profile (1997)</i>					<i>% of</i>	
<i>Sector</i>	<i>Firms</i>	<i>% of Total</i>	<i>Emp.</i>	<i>% of Total</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>Total</i>
Agriculture	0	0.0%	0	0.0%		
Const. and Mining	3	23.1%	14	38.9%		
Manufacturing	2	15.4%	5	13.9%		
Trans. And Utilities	2	15.4%	3	8.3%		
Trade	2	15.4%	5	13.9%		
Finance, Ins. and Real Estate	3	23.1%	7	19.4%		
Services	1	7.7%	2	5.6%		
Government	0	0.0%	0	0.0%		
Total	13	100.0%	36	100.0%		
<i>Top Five Grand List (1997)</i>						
Garvin Family Corp., Inc					\$7,222,800	0.95%
Old Lyme Stores LP					\$5,083,030	0.67%
Eastport LLC					\$4,665,340	0.61%
Connecticut Light & Power Company					\$3,231,890	0.42%
Black Hall Club, Inc.					\$2,462,370	0.32%
Grand List Total (1996)					\$762,413,231	
<i>Top Five Major Employers (1997)</i>						
Learn					Center School	
A & P					Lyme-Old Lyme Middle School	
Interdesign Limited						
<i>Retail Sales (1996)</i>					<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>
					\$21,296,455	\$30,837,967,729

### Education

<i>1995-1996 School Year</i>				<i>Connecticut Mastery Test Percent Above Goal</i>					
	<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>		<i>Grade 4</i>		<i>Grade 6</i>		<i>Grade 8</i>	
Total Students	1,211	461,203		<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>
Total Expenditures Per Pupil	\$8,942	\$8,300		Reading	75 55	81 60	78 64		
Average Teacher's Salary	\$46,299	\$48,598		Math	68 59	74 52	48 51		
Students Attending Public School	92.9%	89.2%		Writing	47 46	52 46	62 51		
Student/Teacher Ratio	13.3	14.5							
Grads Pursuing Post-Sec. Education	84.1%	75.8%		<i>Average SAT Score</i>		<i>Town</i>	<i>State</i>		
High School Dropout Rate	1.9%	4.6%		Verbal		552	503		
<i>Average Class Size</i>				Math		565	499		
Kindergarten 13.7	Grade 2 18.3								
Grade 5 21.0	Grade 7 21.0	High School 19.5							

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### Government

Government Form	Selectman- Town Meeting	Annual Debt Service (1996)	\$600,732
		As % of Expenditures	4.3%
Total Revenue (1996)	\$14,723,179	Equalized Grand List (1996)	\$985,576,159
Tax Revenue	\$13,686,444	Per Capita	\$147,519
Non-tax Revenue	\$603,716	As % of State Average	189.2%
Intergovernmental	\$433,019	Date of Last Revaluation	10/ 1/90
Per Capita Tax (1996)	\$1,870	Moody's Bond Rating (1997)	Aa
As % of State Average	131.4%	Actual Mill Rate (1997)	17.80
		Equalized Mill Rate (1996)	13.60
		% of Grand List Com/Ind (1995)	5.7%
Total Expenditures (1996)	\$13,998,834		
Education	\$9,583,195		
Other	\$4,415,639		
Total Indebtness (1996)	\$4,624,475		
As % of Expenditures	33.0%		
Per Capita	\$692		
As % of State Average	66.5%		

### Housing

Housing Stock (1997)	Town	County	State	Sales Price Distribution (1996)	Town	County	State
Existing Units (total)	4,657	109,981	1,374,566	Number of Sales			
% Single Unit	92.9%	66.5%	62.9%	Less than \$100,000	34	1,923	22,254
New Permits Auth. (1997)	44	825	9,349	\$100,001-\$200,000	76	1,682	20,713
As % Existing Units	0.94%	0.75%	0.68%	\$200,001-\$300,000	31	247	6,600
Demolitions (1997)	4	67	1,193	\$300,001-\$400,000	13	72	2,730
Residential Sales (1996)	170	4,000	56,333	\$400,001 or More	16	76	4,036
Average Price	\$214,301	\$127,398	\$194,596	1996 Characteristics			
Median Price	\$174,000	\$114,000	\$138,000	Owner Occupied Dwellings	2,112	60,315	807,559
				Housing Stock Age - Pre-1950	37.4%	35.6%	33.9%
				Subsidized Housing Units	47	11,508	148,930

### Labor Force

				Commuters (1990)			
1997	Town	County	State	Commuters into Town from		Town Residents Commuting to	
Labor Force	3,800	133,951	1,723,300	1. Old Lyme	754	Old Lyme	754
Employed	3,644	126,435	1,635,400	2. Lyme	215	Old Saybrook	409
Unemployed	156	7,516	87,900	3. East Lyme	124	New London	284
Unemployment Rate	4.1%	5.6%	5.1%	4. Waterford	98	East Lyme	244
Total Employment	1,990	126,990	1,581,700	5. East Haddam	71	Groton	197
Manufacturing	60	20,790	265,850	6. Old Saybrook	61	Waterford	142
'92-'97 Growth Rate	19.9%	16.7%	4.3%	7. Essex	48	Clinton	124
Daytime Population	1,695	119,632	1,740,247	8. New London	42	Middletown	116
				9. Deep River	31	Essex	113
				10. Montville	27	Westbrook	101

### Quality of Life

Town	State	Library (1996-1997)	Town	Residential Utilities	
Banks (1997)	0	1,378	Total Volumes	35,189	Electric Provider
Lodging (1997)	0	756	Circulation Per Capita	15.6	Connecticut Light & Power
Day Care Facilities (1998)	6	1,651			1-800-286-2000
Infant Mortality Rate Per 1,000 Res. (1995)	0	0.099	Distance to Major Cities	Miles	Gas Provider
Crime Rate (1996) Per 1,000 Residents	19.1	40	Hartford	36	na
% Open Land (1990)	74.0%	68.8%	Boston	96	na
			New York City	97	Water Provider
			Providence	57	Connecticut Water Company
					1-800-286-5700
Hospitals (1997)	0	2			Cable Provider
Total Beds	0	563			Century Cable Management Corporation
					860-886-2466